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## **ORIENT POWER HOLDINGS LIMITED**

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability) (Stock Code: 615) (the "Company")

## ANNOUNCEMENT STANDSTILL AGREEMENT

The Group and the Lenders entered into the Standstill Agreement dated 14th October, 2005.

Pursuant to Rule 13.09 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, the Company announces that on 14th October, 2005, it and certain of its subsidiaries (the "Group") entered into (a) an agreement with a number of its financial creditors (the "Lenders") relating to standstill arrangements in respect of the existing facilities provided to the Group and the liabilities of the Group thereunder (the "Standstill Agreement") and (b) a fixed and floating charge debenture on the assets of the Group (with a total book value of about HK\$2.56 billion as at 30th June, 2005) with Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited ("SCB") (as security agent) (the "Debenture").

Under and subject to the terms of the Standstill Agreement, the Lenders agree not to enforce the payment of monies due from the Group (amounting to book value of about HK\$1.43 billion as at 30th June, 2005) under the existing facilities (amounting to a total of about HK\$1.5 billion) (the "Existing Facilities") during the standstill period, which assuming no early termination on the occurrence of a default will expire on 31st January, 2006 or such later date up to 31st March, 2006 as may be agreed between the Company and SCB as liaison bank (acting on the instructions of the Steering Committee of the financial creditors).

The Group entered into the Standstill Agreement to create stability for the negotiation and implementation of formal restructuring arrangement for the Group. The Debenture is required as security pursuant to the terms of the Standstill Agreement.

The Group will negotiate with the Lenders on the formal restructuring arrangement in respect of the Existing Facilities. Further announcement(s) on the restructuring arrangement will be made as appropriate.

By Order of the Board **Poon Ka Hung** *Chairman* 

Hong Kong, 17th October, 2005

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of the Company comprise Messrs. Poon Ka Hung, Wu Lai Ping and Lin Hoo Fun as executive directors; Ms. Jennifer Cheung Mei Ha, Mr. Edward Fung Chi Kong and Mr. Leung Chun Pong as non-executive directors; and Messrs. Joseph Chan Wing Tai, Tay Chee Hung and Tang Tin Ying as independent non-executive directors.

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